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NEWS.

WE learn that the Zoölogical Society of Holland is preparing a series of synopses of the fauna of Holland, following somewhat after the style of the Keys now being published in this journal.

The *Plant World*, hitherto published by Willard Clute & Co. of Binghamton, N. Y., will be issued in future by the Plant World Co., Washington, D. C.

Dr. Elliott Coues, the well-known ornithologist and for some years an associate editor of the *American Naturalist*, died in Baltimore, December 25. He was born in Portsmouth, N. H., Sept. 9, 1842, was graduated in arts and medicine from the Columbian University at Washington, and served as assistant surgeon in the U. S. Army from 1862 to 1881. He taught anatomy and zoölogy in Norwich University, Columbian University, and the Virginia Agricultural College. He was best known for his works on birds, including his *Keys to North American Birds* (three editions), *Birds of the Colorado Valley*, *Birds of the Northwest*, *Ornithological Biography*, etc., in which are to be found some of the best sketches in the language. He also worked on mammals. During his later years he became enamored with theosophy and neglected scientific work.

Appointments: E. A. N. Arber, demonstrator in paleobotany in the University of Cambridge. — Dr. F. W. Bancroft, instructor in physiology in the University of California. — Dr. Edmond William Wace Carlier, professor of physiology in Mason College, Birmingham, England. — Dr. Dandler, privat docent for anatomy in the University of Vienna. — W. H. L. Duckworth, instructor in physical anthropology in the University of Cambridge. — Grafton Elliott-Smith, demonstrator of anatomy in the University of Cambridge. — Dr. Otto von Furth, privat docent for physiology in the University of Vienna. — Dr. Martin Heidenhain, professor extraordinary of anatomy in the University of Tübingen. — Dr. J. J. Jahn of Vienna, professor extraordinary of geology in the newly established technical school at Brünn, Austria. — Alfred Jentzsch, geologist at the Geological Landesanstalt in Berlin. — S. J. Korshinsky, director of the herbarium of the Academy of St. Petersburg. — Dr. Alfred Krolopp, assistant

professor of botany in the Agricultural School at Altenburg.— W. Leslie, director of the botanical gardens in Trinidad.— Mr. Loye H. Miller, professor of chemistry and natural history in Oahu College, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.— Dr. Thomas H. Montgomery, Jr., assistant professor of zoölogy in the University of Pennsylvania.— Dr. Erik Gottlieb Müller, professor of anatomy in the Karolinian Institute at Stockholm.— Dr. Bohumil Nemesch, privat docent for plant anatomy and physiology in the Bohemian University at Prag.— James Louis North, keeper of the Museum of the Royal Botanical Society in London.— Professor Edward Orton, state geologist of Ohio, in succession to his father, the late Edward Orton.— Professor Picart of Bordeaux, professor of anatomy in the University at Lille, France.— Dr. Gustav Piotrowski, professor extraordinary of physiology in the Veterinary School at Lemberg.— Dr. Mat. Semper, privat docent for anatomy in the Technical School at Aachen.— Dr. E. O. Sisson, director of the histological laboratory at Keokuk, Iowa.— Dr. Velich, privat docent for animal physiology and pathology in the Bohemian University at Prag.— Nikolaus Warpachowsky of St. Petersburg, director of fisheries for the district of Archangel.— Dr. Wedekind, privat docent for natural science in the University of Tübingen.

Deaths: Dr. Christian Brügger, naturalist and director of the museum in Chur, Switzerland, in October, aged 66.— Dr. Deike, paleontologist, in Mülheim.— Professor Theodor Ebert, geologist of the Geological Landesanstalt in Berlin, in September, aged 42.— Nikolaus W. Grigorjeff, a young phytopaleontologist in the government of Charkoff, Russia, drowned July 16.— Dr. Ragnar Hult, botanist, and docent in geography in the University of Helsingfors, September 25, aged 42.— Dr. Matts Adolf Lindblad, formerly docent for botany in the University of Upsala, June 30, aged 78.— Hippolyte Lucas, assistant in entomology in the Paris Museum, September 29.— Dr. Josef Majer, formerly professor of anatomy in the University of Cracow, July 3, aged 91.— Dr. Geza von Mihálovics, professor of anatomy and embryology in the University of Budapesth, aged 55.— Michael Iwan Pylajeff, a Russian mineralogist, Feb. 3, 1899, aged 57.— Georg Ruscheweyh, lepidopterologist in Buenos Aires, August 2, aged 72.— George, Baron Schilling von Canstatt, ornithologist, in Scutari, Albania.— Dr. Adolf Schmidt, diatom student, in Aschersleben, Germany.— Christian Schwemmer, botanist, at Nürnberg.— Dr. Arthur Cowell Stark, ornithologist,

killed by a shell, November 18, at Ladysmith, South Africa. — Siegfried Stauffer, founder of the natural history museum in Luzern, August 3. — Samuel Stevens, entomologist and formerly a large natural history dealer in London, August 29, aged 82. — Friedrich Stolz, student of cryptogamic botany, killed by a fall in the Tyrol, August 14, aged 21. — Dr. Carl Gustav Thompson, student of Hymenoptera and custodian of the entomological collections at Lund, Sweden, in September, aged 72. — Dr. Stephen Baron von Washington, ornithologist, at Pöls, Styria, September 9, aged 41. — Rev. William Farren White, entomologist, at Bournemouth, England, July 21, aged 65. — George Buchanan Wollaston, student of ferns, at Clapham, England, March 26, aged 85. — Frederik Mauritz van der Wulp, student of the Diptera, at The Hague, aged 80. — Professor R. Yabe, botanist, in Japan. — John Bridgman, English entomologist, October 6, aged 63.